EEAC - Low-Income Workgroup

First State Community Action Agency – Georgetown, DE August 10, 2016 **Meeting Minutes**

EEAC Council Members (or designees) and Low-Income Committee Members in Attendance by Phone or In-Person

John Sykes, Glenn Moore, Shane Breakie, Crystal Nagyiski, Ed Synoski, Caren Turner, Jeffrey Richardson

Others in Attendance

Mark Kravatz (phone), Eric Belliveau, Emily St. Clair, Haly McQuilkin, Ceasar McClain, David Stevenson, Angela Bivens, Bruce Wright, Harold Stafford, Charles Kistler, Cindy Ventresca, Ed Schmidt, Bernice Edwards, Zee Henry, DJ Sneeringer, Stephanie Herron, Ronald Abremski

Welcome and Introductions – Ed Synoski called the meeting to order and presented the agenda. All meeting attendees introduced themselves. The meeting minutes from May 11, 2016 and July 13, 2016 were approved by unanimous consent.

Presentation on Low-Income Demographics – Optimal Energy followed up on the demographics presentation from the July meeting by including new information on 1) mobile homes; 2) vacant housing; 3) health equity; and 4) electric utility territories.

Presentations on Existing Low-Income Services – Representatives from the Sustainable Energy Utility (SEU), Delmarva Power, Delaware Municipal Electric Corporation (DEMEC) and Chesapeake Utilities gave presentations on the current programs or services they offer to low-income populations.

Discussion on Process/Timeline – Ed Synoski briefly discussed the process moving forward to include a now completed review of the demographics; a review of existing services; a discussion regarding the program planning criteria; gap analysis and program formulation; and ultimately recommendations to the Council as to programs to be implemented.

Next Steps - The next meeting will focus on a discussion of existing community-based services and a discussion on program planning criteria.

Next Meeting – The next meeting was tentatively scheduled for September 14, 2016, at a time and location to be determined.